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☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☒ A Request for Extension of Time.

☐ No additional fee is required.

☒ Form PTO 1449 and references cited.

☒ Copy form PTO 1449 filed February 27, 2002.

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